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USDA PHOTOGRAPHS of President Eisenhower and party's drought tour (1957) and some other photos taken in drought area.

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1-N-19880 -- President Eisenhower and party arrive via the Columbine at Woodward, Okla., for inspection tour of the drought area. Pictured from left to right are: Pres. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Gov. Raymond Gary of Okla., Sec. of the Interior Fred A. Seaton, and Sec. of Agr., Ezra Taft Benson.



2-N-19883 -- The President takes a first-hand look at drought conditions on the 640-acre farm of Carl Peoples near Woodward. During the past year, Mr. Peoples has had to sell 15 of his 37 head of Hereford cattle because of the drought.



3-N-19888 -- Here, P. E. Herrill, manager of the Oklahoma Cotton Growers, talks with Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson.



4-N-19893 -- A deserted farm one mile from the airport at Woodward, Oklahoma.

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5-N-19896 -- President Eisenhower and party arrive at Garden City, Kans., during a snow storm.



8-N-19912 -- A dry water hole on the farm of H. W. Wacker near Guymon. There have been no cattle on this range for more than two years.



6-N-19898 -- A crowd gathers to greet the President upon his arrival at Garden City.



9-N-19914 -- An abandoned windmill just north of Guymon, Okla.



7-N-19909 -- Shown here are some 6-month-old calves, part of a foundation herd, on the farm of Gilbert Steinkielier near Guymon, Okla. Mr. Steinkielier and ASC Committeeman Leon Newman examine hay purchased under the emergency hay program.





10-N-19915--A dry river bed just north of Guymon, Okla.



11-N-19916--Here, ASC Committeeman Leon Newman examines sorghum in Texas County, Okla., that did not make heads in 1956.



12-N-19920--This field of sorghum near Boise City, Okla., did not make a crop in 1956. It is being taken out of cultivation and placed in the conservation reserve of the Soil Bank for five years.



13-N-19922--This field, near Boise City, has been taken out of cultivation and, in the spring of 1954, was planted to several grasses, including Indian grass and sand love grass, to prevent wind erosion.



14-N-19924--Shown here are three sets of fence posts, one upon the other, to keep each successive fence above the blown-in soil.





15-N-19890 -- A field of old sorghum land that has been listed to prevent the soil from blowing away.



17-N-19930 -- Cattle graze bare stalks of grain sorghum on the farm of Lawrence Ashby about 17 miles east of Texline, Texas.



16-N-19929 -- This shows deep plowing on irrigated land to prevent wind erosion. Photo taken near Dalhart, Tex. The residue on the unplowed field is from popcorn.



18-N-19942 -- This sweep plow, 12 feet wide, will make furrows from 2 inches deep to almost any depth a tractor is capable of pulling it. It is used mainly to prevent wind erosion. This and other equipment to prevent blowing, is under study at the U. S. Great Plains Station near Amarillo, Texas.